



NASEMSO Safe Transport of Children (STC) Ad Hoc Committee

MEETING RECORD

February 16, 2017
1:00 PM EST

Attending – Eric Hicken, Katherine Schafer, Mary Hedges, Jocelyn Hulbert, Jay Bradshaw, Katherine Hert, Elena Sierra, Sailesh Tangirala, Tom Winkler, Paul Phillips, Kjelsey Polzin, Stephanie Busch, Brandon Kelly, Dr. Marilyn Bull, Dia Gainor, Jim Green, Katrina Altenhofen, Dave Bryson, Dan Sjoquist

Call to Order, Welcome, Introductions – Eric Hicken called the meeting to order at 1:04 PM EST.

Review and Approve January 25 Meeting Record – The January 25th meeting record was approved as submitted.

Child Safety Collaborative Innovation and Improvement Network – Eric was asked to participate in this group. In addition to child passenger safety, they address prevention in the areas of falls, interpersonal violence, and suicide.

SafeAmbulances.org – Jay Bradshaw demonstrated SafeAmbulances.org which is the website he developed for NASEMSO with support from the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST). When entering the site, the viewer can select from three different perspectives: regulators, public and providers. He referred to the three different sets of standards for ground ambulance vehicles (KKK specifications, NFPA 1917 and CAAS GVS) and pointed out the comparison chart which highlights the major similarities and differences in key areas. The website will continue to be updated by NASEMSO. The NASEMSO Agency and Vehicle Licensing (AVL) Committee determines what is included on the website. There is an opportunity to subscribe to updates which results in push notices sent to those who have subscribed. Dr. Marilyn Bull said she was ecstatic to learn about this and plans to utilize it. Sailesh Tangirala commented that he has referred many people to this website, which has been very helpful. One question he receives is how current the information is. Jay said he checks the website about twice a week and commented that NASEMSO is committed to maintaining it.

Corporate Outreach Initiative Update – Tom Winkler drafted the corporate partner letter and is looking for feedback. Eric said he thinks the letter is very good and that we need to determine the target audience. Katherine mentioned that the Glatfelter Insurance

representative who was at the meeting in Albuquerque was very helpful and would be someone to approach. Elena Sierra suggested removing references to federal partners if we intend to send it to corporate partners. Eric suggested we spend time at the March meeting identifying corporate sponsors. Suggestions should be forwarded to Tom Winkler.

Interim Guidance Initiative Update – Tom Winkler has offered to take the lead in creating an appendix to be attached to the Interim Guidance which lists the various child transport safety products on the market. The Maryland reference card system that Cyndy Wright-Johnson produced was shown as an example of a resource. However, it is lengthy (20 pages) with detailed information and is intended for the providers in the ambulance. Dr. Marilyn Bull said she is working on cross-referencing the various products for a curriculum she is developing. Sailesh Tangirala mentioned a presentation that was done in 2010 of all the products, which he will share. He said most of those products have not changed much except that PediMate Plus has been added. The presentation is based on the spreadsheet that Stephanie Busch shared this morning. Dr. Marilyn Bull cautioned about referencing FMVSS 213, as it should specify the injury criteria only. Sailesh recommended dropping the 213 reference. Dave Bryson agreed that FMVSS 213 does not apply to ambulances. Stephanie recommended adding which products have been tested by manufacturers. Jim Green said that if someone said they tested to the crash pulse in FMVSS 213, that is better than not having tested. Dan Sjoquist agreed. Mary expressed concern about completing the appendix by the due date of March 8 (per the NHTSA agreement). Dave Bryson said that while he is not the contracting officer, he emphasized that it is a cooperative agreement (not a contract) and they want to be flexible enough to assure we develop what is useful to NASEMSO. Katherine Shafer emphasized that this should be living document, which will be updated from time to time.

Federal Partner Comments/Update (for those with information to share)

- **NHTSA** - Dave Bryson reported that the Tuesday of EMS week will be designated as Safety Day. This would be a good opportunity to reach out to Rick Murray at ACEP to focus on what this committee is doing.
- **NIOSH** - Jim Green said he has no new information regarding DHS funding.

Adjourn – The meeting adjourned at 2:06 PM EST.

Next Meeting – March 7 (NASEMSO Spring Meeting)

See <https://www.nasemso.org/Meetings/Spring/index.asp>

The meeting record was respectfully prepared by NASEMSO Program Manager Mary Hedges.